

**DECLARATION FOR UTILITY OR  
DESIGN  
PATENT APPLICATION  
(37 CFR 1.63)**

☐ Declaration  
Submitted  
With Initial  
Filing

OR

☒ Declaration  
Submitted after Initial  
Filing (surcharge  
(37 CFR 1.16 (e))  
required)

Attorney Docket Number	24584-12151
First Named Inventor	Lawrence W. McVoy
COMPLETE IF KNOWN	
Application Number	10/700,017
Filing Date	November 3, 2003
Art Unit	2191
Examiner Name	Qing Chen

**I hereby declare that:**

Each inventor's residence, mailing address, and citizenship are as stated below next to their name.

I believe the inventor(s) named below to be the original and first inventor(s) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

**METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR UNDERSTANDING AND RESOLVING  
CONFLICTS IN A MERGE**

*(Title of the Application)*

the specification of which

☐ is attached hereto

OR

☒ was filed on (MM/DD/YYYY) 11/03/2003 as United States Application Number or PCT International

Application Number 10/700,017 and was amended on (MM/DD/YYYY) (if applicable).

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment specifically referred to above.

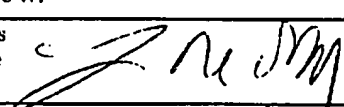
I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR 1.56, including for continuation-in-part applications, material information which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of the continuation-in-part application.

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under 35 U.S.C. 119(a)-(d) or (f), or 365(b) of any foreign application(s) for patent, inventor's or plant breeder's rights certificate(s), or 365(a) of any PCT international application which designated at least one country other than the United States of America, listed below and have also identified below, by checking the box, any foreign application for patent, inventor's or plant breeder's rights certificate(s), or any PCT international application having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed.

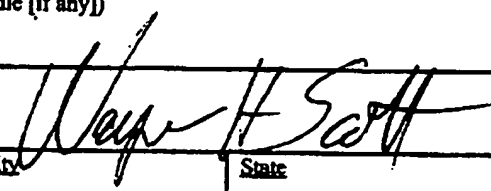
Prior Foreign Application Number(s)	Country	Foreign Filing Date (MM/DD/YYYY)	Priority Not Claimed	Certified Copy Attached?	
				Yes	No
			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

☐ Additional foreign application numbers are listed on a supplemental priority data sheet PTO/SB/02B attached hereto.

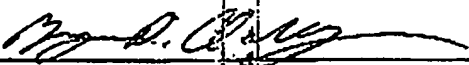
**DECLARATION – Utility or Design Patent Application**

Direct all correspondence to: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Customer Number: <b>758</b> OR <input type="checkbox"/> Correspondence address below			
Name			
Address			
City		State	ZIP
Country	Telephone	Fax	
I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under 18 U.S.C. 1001 and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.			
NAME OF SOLE OR FIRST INVENTOR:		<input type="checkbox"/> A petition has been filed for this unsigned inventor	
Given Name (first and middle (if any)) <b>Lawrence W.</b>		Family Name or Surname <b>McVoy</b>	
Inventor's Signature 			Date <b>2-14-2007</b>
Residence: City <b>Los Gatos</b>	State <b>California</b>	Country <b>USA</b>	Citizenship <b>US</b>
Mailing Address <b>25375 Spanish Ranch Rd.</b>			
City <b>Los Gatos</b>	State <b>California</b>	ZIP <b>95033</b>	Country <b>USA</b>
NAME OF SECOND INVENTOR:		<input type="checkbox"/> A petition has been filed for this unsigned inventor	
Given Name (first and middle (if any)) <b>Wayne H.</b>		Family Name or Surname <b>Scott</b>	
Inventor's Signature			Date
Residence: City <b>Columbia City</b>	State <b>Indiana</b>	Country <b>USA</b>	Citizenship <b>US</b>
Mailing Address <b>1883 N SR-9</b>			
City <b>Columbia City</b>	State <b>Indiana</b>	ZIP <b>46725</b>	Country <b>USA</b>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Additional inventors or a legal representative are being named on additional sheet(s)			

**DECLARATION – Utility or Design Patent Application**

Direct all correspondence to: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Customer Number: <b>758</b> OR <input type="checkbox"/> Correspondence address below			
Name			
Address			
City		State	ZIP
Country	Telephone	Fax	
I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under 18 U.S.C. 1001 and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.			
NAME OF SOLE OR FIRST INVENTOR:		<input type="checkbox"/> A petition has been filed for this unsigned inventor	
Given Name (first and middle (if any)) Lawrence W.		Family Name or Surname McVoy	
Inventor's Signature			Date
Residence: City Los Gatos	State California	Country USA	Citizenship US
Mailing Address 25375 Spanish Ranch Rd.			
City Los Gatos	State California	ZIP 95033	Country USA
NAME OF SECOND INVENTOR:		<input type="checkbox"/> A petition has been filed for this unsigned inventor	
Given Name (first and middle (if any)) Wayne H.		Family Name or Surname Scott	
Inventor's Signature 			Date Feb 16, 2007
Residence: City Columbia City	State Indiana	Country USA	Citizenship US
Mailing Address 1883 N SR-9			
City Columbia City	State Indiana	ZIP 46725	Country USA
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Additional inventors or a legal representative are being named on additional sheet(s)			

## BEST AVAILABLE COPY

DECLARATION		ADDITIONAL INVENTOR(S) Supplemental Sheet	
NAME OF THIRD INVENTOR:		<input type="checkbox"/> A petition has been filed for this unsigned inventor	
Given Name (first and middle (if any))	Family Name or Surname		
Bryan D.	Oakley		
Inventor's Signature	Date		
	2-15-2007		
Residence: City	State	Country	Citizenship
Tulsa	Oklahoma	USA	US
Mailing Address			
3325 E. 47th Place			
City	State	ZIP	Country
Tulsa	Oklahoma	74135	USA
NAME OF FOURTH INVENTOR:		<input type="checkbox"/> A petition has been filed for this unsigned inventor	
Given Name (first and middle (if any))	Family Name or Surname		
Inventor's Signature	Date		
Residence: City	State	Country	Citizenship
Mailing Address			
City	State	ZIP	Country
NAME OF FIFTH INVENTOR:		<input type="checkbox"/> A petition has been filed for this unsigned inventor	
Given Name (first and middle (if any))	Family Name or Surname		
Inventor's Signature	Date		
Residence: City	State	Country	Citizenship
Mailing Address			
City	State	ZIP	Country
<input type="checkbox"/> Additional inventors or a legal representative are being named on additional sheet(s).			